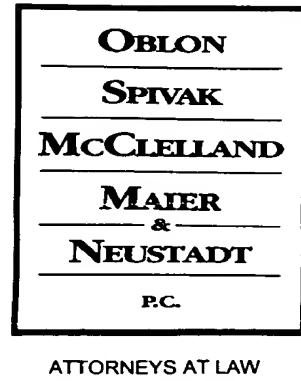




Docket No.: 217411US0X PCT

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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/926,817
Applicants: Yukihiro FUJIEDA, et al.
Filing Date: December 21, 2001
Allowed Date: July 18, 2005
For: MULTI-LAYERED TUBE AND MEDICAL DEVICE
COMPRISING MULTI-LAYERED TUBE
Group Art Unit: 1772
Examiner: C. Bruenjes

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Petition Under 37 CFR 1.181; Copy of date-stamped filing receipt and Request for Priority filed 12-21-01; Copy of Notice of Acceptance of Application mailed 2/4/02

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

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SIR:

While the Notice of Allowance acknowledges the foreign priority claim it suggests that the Applicants have not complied with 35 U.S.C. 119(a), because they have not provided a certified copy of the foreign priority document. The Applicants traverse this statement, since this application is a national-stage filing of PCT/JP00/06493 and the certified copy of the priority document should be obtained pursuant to PCT Rule 17.2 from the International Bureau, see the attached Notice of Acceptance and Request for Priority.

Accordingly, the Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.181 to invoke supervisory authority to:

Provide written acknowledgment of their claim for foreign priority to Japan 2000-120270 filed April 21, 2000 and indicate that the certified copy has been received from the International Bureau in accordance with PCT Rule 17.2(a).

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Applicants do not believe that any petition fee is due. However, in the event any variance exists between the required petition fees and this amount, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030.

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For MULTI-LAYERED TUBE AND MEDICAL DEVICE COMPRISING MULTI-LAYERED TUBE

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- ☒ 38 pgs. Specification 17 Claims (English Translation) pgs. Sequence Listing
- ☒ Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney (5 pages)
- ☐ Petition to Revive Under 37 C.F.R. 1.137 (b)
- ☒ Notice of Priority;
- ☒ Check for \$ 890.00; ☒ Dep. Acct. Order Form
- ☐ Assignment pages/PTO-1595
- ☒ Drawings 3 sheets
- ☒ PCT Transmittal Letter
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ PCT/IB/304 ☐ PCT/IB/308
- ☐ Letter Regarding Claim to Small Entity Status
- ☐ International Preliminary Examination Report
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☒ PTO-1449
- ☐ Cited References () ☐ Statement of Relevancy
- ☐ List of Related Cases ☐ Cited Pending Applications(#)
- ☒ International Search Report
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/JP00/06493

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: September 22, 2000

FOR: MULTI-LAYERED TUBE AND MEDICAL DEVICE COMPRISING MULTI-LAYERED TUBE

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicant claims as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NO</u>	<u>DAY/MONTH/YEAR</u>
Japan	2000-120270	21 April 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention application(s) were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/06493.

Respectfully submitted,
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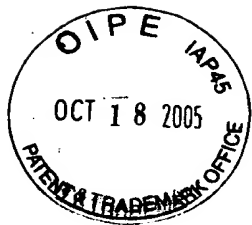


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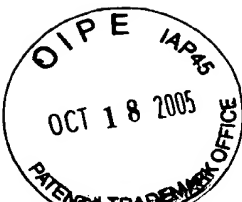
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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

12/21/2001
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and
(c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

12/21/2001
DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C.
REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

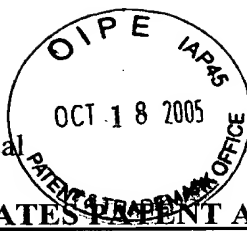
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SIR:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant(s) claim as priority:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Month/Day/Year</u>
Japan	2000-120270	April 21, 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s) were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number PCT/JP00/06493, filed on September 22, 2000. Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached copy of form PCT/IB/304.

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Applicant KURARAY CO., LTD. et al	International filing date (day/month/year) 22 September 2000 (22.09.00) Priority date (day/month/year) 21 April 2000 (21.04.00)

1. The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(c) or (b).
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<u>Priority date</u>	<u>Priority application No.</u>	<u>Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office</u>	<u>Date of receipt of priority document</u>
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